

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. An electric welder for spot fusing a eutectic metal to a thin film electrical
2 conductor on an electrically non-conductive substrate, comprising:
3 at least one pair of an electrode, at least one said electrode having a terminal
4 end that is tapered tangentially to a domed terminus; and
5 said domed terminus having a radius sufficiently small to concentrate an
6 electrical current to produce a heat cone and penetrate said eutectic metal and
7 sufficiently large to prevent an intolerable damage to any of said eutectic metal,
8 said thin film, and said substrate.

- 1 2. The welder of claim 1, wherein:
2 said substrate is a lid for an IC package made of ceramic or glass, said thin
3 film is made substantially of gold, and said eutectic metal is a frame therefore
4 made substantially of an alloy of 80% gold and 20% tin; and
5 each said electrode is made of an alloy of copper tungsten.

- 1 3. The welder of claim 1, wherein, said spot fusing is accomplished by pulsing
2 said electrical current from a discharging capacitor through said electrode pair.
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- 1 4. A method of using the welder of claim 1 for spot fusing a eutectic metal to a
2 thin film electrical conductor on an electrically non-conductive substrate,
3 comprising:
4 placing said eutectic metal in registration contact with said thin film;
5 pressing a pressure block against said eutectic metal;

6 pressing at least one of said electrode pair of the welder of claim 1 into
7 contact with said eutectic metal under sufficient pressure to displace a tiny bit
8 of said eutectic metal against said thin film;

9 pulsing an electrical current through said electrode pair of sufficient energy
10 to cause a localized heating and melting of said eutectic metal;

11 allowing said eutectic metal to cool and thereby solidify; and

12 removing said electrode pair and said pressure block therefrom.